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Utilization of the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 55/233 of 23 December 2000, decided that a provision of $93,691,600 should be reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 for special political missions related to peace and security.

2. The provision of $93,691,600, after recosting, is equivalent to $98,338,700. As described in paragraph 3.46 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/6), the utilization of the amount would be subject to individual legislative mandates and approval by the General Assembly as and when the Security Council and/or the General Assembly establish or renew such mandates.

3. During the current session, the General Assembly will approve several charges in the context of statements of programme budget implications and estimates pertaining to mandates authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council, totalling $33,690,300, against the provision of $98,338,700 for special political missions requested in section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003, as detailed in the annex to the present report.

4. The Fifth Committee may wish to recommend that the General Assembly approve a charge of $33,690,300 against the provision for special political missions.

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Annex

Provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Estimated amount to be appropriated at current 2002-2003 rates		98 338.7
Utilization of the provision:		
1. The situation in Central America — United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (MINUGUA) (A/C.5/56/26, A/56/705 and A/C.5/56/SR.38 and _____)	14 755.1	
2. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/56/27, A/56/709 and A/C.5/54/SR.38 and _____)	188.5	
3. Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/C.5/56/24 and A/C.5/56/SR.33 and _____)	277.9	
4. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/56/31, A/56/720 and A/C.5/56/SR.39)	7 355.4	
5. Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/56/25 and Add.1 and 2, A/56/7/Add.6 and 7; A/C.5/56/SR.37, 38 and 39)	11 113.4	
Total		**33 690.3**
Unallocated balance		**64 648.4**